Town of Mansfield

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting of 16 July 2014
Conference Room B, Audrey P. Beck Building
MINUTES

Members present: Aline Booth (Alt.), Joan Buck (Alt.), Neil Facchinetti, Quentin Kessel, *Members absent*: Robert Dahn, Peter Drzewiecki, Scott Lehmann, John Silander, Michael Soares.

Town Staff: Jennifer Kaufman, Inland Wetland Agent

- **1.** The meeting was **called to order** at 7:30 PM by Chair Quentin Kessel. Booth and Buck were designated voting members for the meeting.
- **2.** The **draft minutes** of the 18 June 2014 meeting were approved as written (Buck, with Facchinetti seconding. Three voting for the motion, and Booth, having not been in attendance, abstained).

3. New Business

IWA referrals:

W1531 – Markus – 59 Hillyndale Road. This is a request to expand an existing bedroom, add a bathroom, and convert an existing deck into a sun room. The house location is close to wetlands and building it at this location would not be likely to be permitted today. Note was taken of the additional runoff and Facchinetti moved, and Buck seconded, that as long as this runoff is dealt with in such a manner that the water infiltrates into the ground table (e.g., a rain garden) there should not be a significant impact on the wetland. The motion passed with three in favor and Booth abstaining.

Booth questioned whether the potential additional load on the septic system might lead to future septic difficulties in close proximity to the wetlands. The Commission urges the PZC to bring this matter to the attention of the Department of Public Health.

W1532 – Jones - 49 Farrell Road. This is a request for a two-car garage to be constructed within the regulated area. Booth moved, and Buck seconded, that as long as the roof runoff is dealt with in such a manner that the water infiltrates into the ground table (e.g., a rain garden) there should not be a significant impact on the wetland. The motion passed unanimously.

Other – Individuals who might replace Drzewiecki on the Commission were discussed. It was agreed that Kessel would attempt to contact one of them.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Quentin Kessel, Secretary pro. tem.

Approved 20 August 2014.